

# **Council Communication**

TO:

HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM:

TIMOTHY J. DORN, CHIEF OF POLICE (480)635-7272

THROUGH:

MARC SKOCYPEC, DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER (6867)

**MEETING DATE:** 

**AUGUST 01, 2013** 

**SUBJECT:** 

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY (GOHS) GRANT

FUNDING SOLICITATION

STRATEGIC INITIATIVE:

Community Livability

This item supports the strategic initiative of *Community Livability* by investing in resources needed by law enforcement personnel to continue maintaining public safety in the community.

LEGAL REVIEW

FINANCIAL REVIEW

**Complete** 

**☑** Complete

▼ N/A

N/A

# RECOMMENDED MOTION

A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY (GOHS) GRANT FUNDING SOLICITATIONS RELATED TO TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT, EDUCATION, AND DUI ENFORCEMENT OVERTIME EXPENDITURES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000.00.

#### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The Gilbert Police Department is seeking Council pre-approval to apply and accept grants offered/posted by the GOHS prior to September 30, 2014 providing there are no matching funds requirements.

The GOHS routinely sponsors multiple traffic programs, including but not limited to, traffic enforcement, underage alcohol enforcement/education, and DUI enforcement/education programs. Many of these programs provide grant funding for overtime expenditures. These grant opportunities are usually offered to GPD with a very short acceptance time period(s). Council's approval to allow

application and acceptance of GOHS funding (as described above) will allow staff to provide specific services with overtime costs paid by grant, subsequently benefiting the Town of Gilbert and its citizens by way of additional traffic and DUI enforcement and education. This aligns with the Town's strategic initiative of Community Livability.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no cost to the Town of Gilbert for any of the grants included in the recommended motion. Additionally, there are no funding match requirements to the Town of Gilbert and no ongoing maintenance costs associated with acceptance or operation of the aforementioned GOHS grants.

During the budget process, it is unknown what grant applications will be accepted for the fiscal year. As a result, an allowance is budgeted in the Grant Fund for anticipated expenditures and matching revenues. Sufficient allowance exists for this budget appropriation. Financial impact has been reviewed by Budget Analyst Mary Vinzant.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends pre-approval and acceptance of grants offered by GOHS before September 30, 2014, and related specifically to traffic enforcement, underage alcohol enforcement and education, overtime expenditures and DUI enforcement overtime expenditures for a total amount not to exceed \$175,000.00.

Respectfully submitted

Timothy J. Dorn Chief of Police

Attachments and Enclosures: none